

The Saturday Half Holiday.

When the Saturday half holiday law was enacted there were some pessimistic persons who predicted that its operation would not only injure business, but would lead to an increase in crime because of the idleness of thousands of working people. Strange to say, the police records show a decreased percentage of arrests since the law went into effect. Although the observance of the day has steadily increased, the disposition to commit breaches of the peace on the part of the working people, who have been thrown upon their own resources for self amusement, has been curbed rather than stimulated. It was the purpose of the law to afford wage earners an opportunity to enjoy, on the threshold of the sacred day of rest, a half day's recreation during the summer months. Two years' experience has proved that the men for whose benefit the law was passed have apparently spent their time in peaceable excursions and pastimes. The public parks in this city and in Brooklyn have been crowded on Saturday afternoons as they never were before, and the carrying capacity of excursion boats has been tested to its utmost limit.

Bankers and brokers who were opposed to the innovation when the half holiday law was proposed have not only become reconciled to the new order of things, but most of them now welcome the holiday with undisguised pleasure. In the down town business centers there is a growing tendency to make the whole of Saturday a holiday during the summer months. Many Wall street brokers do not attempt to do any business on Saturday, but take cheerful leave of their offices on Friday night and dismiss business cares from their minds until Monday morning. This same spirit prevails also among the dry goods dealers. All of this goes to show that the American citizen is fully able to enjoy a holiday when it is forced upon him by the law.—New York Times.

Private Balloon Parties.

The fashion of private balloon voyages has taken. A company has produced its first aerial ship as prosaically as if it were a summer cab. The aeronauts are careful navigators. Nadar was the originator of parties of pleasure in space, and his first and last trip, where Madame Georges Sand and other celebrities were among the travelers, had a well nigh fatal ending in Belgium. That balloon hangs on the wall of his studio.

A gentleman or lady now engages a balloon for a day trip and invites friends. The cost is 1,200 francs; if the trip be continued during the night, said to be the most romantic part of the ascension, the price is 500 francs more. All the comforts of a home are secured in the capacious car, and pigeons are liberated in the empyrean regions with quilltail dispatches for friends below. The higher the rise the safer and pleasanter the trip.—Paris Cor. Panama Star and Herald.

Ashamed of Their Own Jest.

On the Fourth of July, after the air ship ascension had proved a failure, a man approached P. C. Campbell, the inventor, and said, "Mr. Campbell, that was an excellent ascension; allow me to express my appreciation of it," and he deposited a penny in Mr. Campbell's hand. Mr. Campbell gravely thanked him, and a second man came up and went through the same proceeding and was followed by a third. Then they all enjoyed a hearty laugh. The inventor calmly looked at the three coins and remarked, "Well, you can see that I have some cents, and before I give in I will convince you that I have considerable." The trio were so impressed with his reply that they apologized for their rudeness and expressed their belief in him.—Buffalo Express.

For the Black Sea Fleet.

Our Odessa correspondent telegraphs: "The three new torpedo boats which have been built in Germany for the Russian government are to be added to the Black sea fleet. It is not improbable that the ports may raise an objection to the passage of these vessels through the Bosphorus, although, of course, they will not receive their armaments before reaching Sebastopol. One of the torpedo boats, the Adler, attained a speed of over twenty-six knots on her trial trip at Cronstadt. The Anacria and the Kozarsky are built on somewhat similar lines to the Adler, but according to the contract will not exceed a speed of twenty-one knots.—London News.

"Looking Backward" is beginning to bear fruit. Twelve young ladies of Indianapolis, employed in stores and offices, have rented a suite of twelve rooms and are living on the Bellamy plan. Each pays into the treasury \$3 per week, and a cook is employed to prepare meals. In addition each is assessed 25 cents for a contingent fund, which is held to meet unusual expenses. The young ladies room in couples, and each week two of them are appointed purveyors. The only fine time they are all together is at supper, but they are contented and enjoy their way of living.

A remarkable freak of lightning was observed near Martin's Point, S. C., lately. A negro woman was sitting in her house with a 2-year-old child in her lap. Her husband was standing on the opposite side of the room. A thunder storm was in progress and a stroke of lightning descended upon the house. The child was instantly killed, its father severely, perhaps fatally, shocked, while the mother was not injured or even shocked by the stroke.

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Victim of Railroad Accident—"Doctor, do you think I can recover?" Doctor—"Certainly." Victim (eagerly)—"How much?"—Racket.

August.

Deep in the wood I made a house
Where no one knew the way;
I carpeted the floor with moss,
And there I loved to play.

I heard the bubbling of the brook;
As times as scores fell,
And far away a robin sang
Deep in a lonely dell.

I set a rock with acorn cups;
So quietly I played
A rabbit hopped across the moss,
And did not seem afraid.

That night before I went to bed
I at my window stood,
And thought how dark my house must be
Down in the loneliness of wood.

—Katharine Fyle in St. Nicholas.

A Good Hot Weather Diet.

Here is a good hot weather diet prescribed by a \$35 visit doctor of Saratoga: Fish, clear soups, sea food, eggs, brown breads a day old, fresh milk, green peas, lettuce and tomatoes in preference to all other vegetables, ripe melons and fresh berries, rice puddings, lemonade and iced tea in preference to ice cups, and half the usual quantity of coffee. He advises contempt for butter, dumplings, pie, roasts, cabbage, potatoes, hot bread and animal foods as too heating for the blood. He also prescribes a two hour siesta after dining, as little exposure to the sun as possible and a glass of ale or porter at night for people who do not rest well. Hot baths he considers better than the cold plunge for cooling purposes, to be taken an hour before eating or three hours after.

Violence is done to perfect health by indiscriminate use of mineral water, especially mixing them, and prolonged stay in the surf. Only an ignorant will drink from two different mineral springs and only the foolishly athletic overexert themselves. The lounge and summer tourist will get the best rest on his back either in a hammock, steamer chair or bed. Unless the system is regulated nothing will improve it, and there is no better way to keep the portals open and stimulate perspiration than by frequent use of water applied internally and externally. It is hardly possible to drink too much good, clean cool water, and habitual sponging will remove the excretions from the body which facilitate the growth of germs that are as fidgety and numerous as the dust particles in the air we breathe.—New York World.

Ups and Downs in the Yeast Market.

Yeast is naturally a most unstable sort of commodity, but its main characteristic is that upon the very slightest provocation it will rise. During the past week, however, it contradicted its usual methods and shrunk in a most amazing way. Saturday last it sold for 20 cents a pound. Monday it was selling for 5 cents a pound, and yesterday the price rose again to 20 cents.

Investigation into the causes of this extraordinary fluctuation in price reveals the existence of a hide bound, copper bottomed, double riveted trust which absolutely controls the price of yeast, and holds it at a figure which pays the members of the trust a handsome profit. A pound of yeast cut into squares and wrapped in tin foil will make forty cakes, which are sold by the manufacturers at 1 cent each, and retailed for 2 cents per pound. The profit is 68 cents, of which the retailer makes 40 and the manufacturer 28 cents. Compressed yeast is made from whiskeys, vinegars, and "low wines," and could be retailed at 15 cents a pound, with a fair margin of profit for manufacturer and retailer.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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—Er.

She—"It will be a pleasure for me to share your troubles and anxieties." He—"But I haven't any." She—"O, you will have when we are married."—Life.



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Big Timber in the Northwest.

Capt. E. Farnham, the pioneer lumberman, speaking of big timber said: "I think the biggest stick of timber ever cut on Puget Sound was gotten out at the Port Gamble mill ten years ago. It was 140 feet in length and 36 x 30 inches square. It was shipped to China, where it was cut up into spans for bridges. I was on board the vessel on which it was shipped. The timber protruded over both the bow and stern."

"What was the idea in shipping such a stick?"

"Just simply to have the name of cutting the largest stick ever got out on Puget Sound."

"What is the largest stick of timber that you have ever seen?"

"That one was. At the World's Fair in London I had dinner in a house made from the bark of a redwood tree, which was cut in California. The house was two stories in height, and was eighteen feet in diameter in the upper story."

"How large a stick do you think could be cut on Puget Sound?"

"I think that it might be possible to get out one perhaps 180 feet long and 30x30 inches square at the small end. Such a stick could not be found near the coast, however. One would have to go into the interior for it. A great deal of care would have to be exercised in cutting it, to prevent its breaking when it fell. If such a stick were cut I have no doubt it would be the largest stick of timber ever cut in the world."

The largest tree in the world is in Mariposa, California. It is called the Father of the Forest, and is 450 feet in height. It is a fallen monarch, however, and it would be impossible to cut a stick of timber 150 feet in length from it, as it is partially decayed.—Seattle Press.

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